

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently amended) A kit for preparing an implant region between adjacent first and second bone surfaces comprising:

a rasp including a rasp head and a handle; and

a chisel including a hollow shaft that receives the rasp and spaced-apart first and second bone cutting edges adapted to slide over opposite first and second sides of the rasp head.

37. (Canceled)

38. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 37, wherein the shaft defines an alignment slot, and the kit further includes an alignment pin that extends through the alignment slot and engages the handle of the rasp to maintain rotational alignment between the rasp and the chisel.

39. (Canceled)

40. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 39, wherein the first and second sides of the rasp head include rasping structures.

41. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 36, further comprising a two piece implant adapted to be mounted at the implant region.

42. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 41, wherein the implant includes a bone growth portion and a support portion.

43. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 41, wherein the implant includes a first piece shaped to fit within a region prepared by the rasp, and a second piece shaped to fit within a region prepared by the chisel.

44. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 41, wherein the implant includes first and second pieces, wherein the rasp includes a rasp head that is generally c-shaped, wherein the first piece of the implant is generally c-shaped, and wherein the chisel is adapted to cut an opening sized to receive the second piece of the implant.

45. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 41, wherein the implant includes a first piece having a shape that corresponds to a shape of a head of the rasp, and the implant includes a second piece having a shape that corresponds to a head of the chisel.

46. (Previously presented) The kit of claim 36, wherein the rasp includes a rasp head having top and bottom rasping surfaces, and wherein the chisel includes a top blade that passes over the top rasping surface in use and a bottom blade that passes under the bottom rasping surface in use.